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## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON AT SEATTLE

TUAN NGO,

Plaintiff,

v.

SENIOR OPERATIONS, LLC, d/b/a AMT SENIOR AEROSPACE, INC.,

Defendant.

Case No. C18-1313RSL
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE

This matter comes before the Court *sua sponte*. On September 5, 2018, defendant removed the above-captioned matter to federal court alleging that the Court has jurisdiction based on the diversity of citizenship of the parties. See 28 U.S.C. § 1332(a) (establishing that the federal court's basic diversity jurisdiction extends to "all civil actions where the matter in controversy exceeds . . . \$75,000 . . . and is between . . . citizens of different States."). "For a case to qualify for federal jurisdiction under 28 U.S.C. § 1332(a), there must be complete diversity of citizenship between the parties opposed in interest." Kuntz v. Lamar Corp., 385 F.3d 1177, 1181 (9th Cir. 2004) (internal citation omitted). In examining whether complete diversity is present, the citizenship of a limited liability company is determined by examining the citizenship of

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the owners/members. See Johnson v. Columbia Props. Anchorage, LP, 437 F.3d 894, 899 (9th Cir. 2006) (holding that "like a partnership, an LLC is a citizen of every state of which its owners/members are citizens").

Although defendant does business using a name that ends in "Inc.," it appears to be a limited liability company. Defendant failed to provide the citizenship of each of its owners/members and has therefore failed to meet its burden of establishing the basis of the Court's jurisdiction. See Indus. Tectonics, Inc. v. Aero Alloy, 912 F.2d 1090, 1092 (9th Cir. 1990) ("The party asserting jurisdiction has the burden of proving all jurisdictional facts"); Fed R. Civ. P. 12(h)(3) ("If the Court determines at any time that it lacks subject-matter jurisdiction, the court must dismiss the action"). As a result, defendant is ORDERED TO SHOW CAUSE by September 21, 2018, why the Court should not remand this action to state court by providing the Court with the citizenship of all of the owners/members of the plaintiff LLC at the time the complaint was filed.

The Clerk of the Court is directed to place this order to show cause on the Court's calendar for September 21, 2018.

Dated this 7th day of September, 2018.

MMS Casnik

Robert S. Lasnik United States District Judge